

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 28 - 47 are pending in this application.

Claims 1 – 12 were inadvertently omitted from the listing of claims in the amendment filed December 13, 2004. This response corrects that omission by indicating that claims 1 – 27 have been cancelled (rather than claims 13 – 27 as stated in the December 13, 2004 amendment).

A complete listing of all of the claims is now present in this response. The status identifier was added for cancelled claims 1 – 12. All other claims are shown with the identifier applied in the amendment filed December 13, 2004 as there are no changes to these claims in this response.

Applicants have attempted to be fully responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and believe that claims 28 - 47 are in condition for allowance. Action to this end is courteously solicited.

However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to discuss appropriate claim language that will place the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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